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Ref: 3553-21033

Honorable Philip N. Asprodites Commissioner of Conservation Post Office Box 94275 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re:

Hearing Application

Disc Bol 1 Sand, Reservoir A Disc Bol 2 Zone, Reservoir A

SOUTHWEST ESTHER FIELD, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana

Applicant: Mosbacher Energy Company

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, application is hereby made on behalf of Mosbacher Energy Company for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Disc Bol 1 Sand, Reservoir A and Disc Bol 2 Zone, Reservoir A, Southwest Esther Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.

DISCORBIS BOL 1 SAND, RESERVOIR A

- To create a single drilling and production unit of approximately 355 acres for the Discorbis Bol 1 Sand, Reservoir A, designated as the DB1 RA SUA, Southwest Esther Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, all as shown more particularly on the attached plat;
- The Discorbis Bol 1 Sand, Reservoir A, in the Southwest Esther Field is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the measured depths of 12,389 feet and 12,429 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Mosbacher Energy Company-Louisiana Furs No. 3 Well located in Section 14, Township 14 South, Range 2 East, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.

DISCORBIS BOL 2 ZONE, RESERVOIR A

- To create a single drilling and production unit of approximately 455 acres for the Discorbis Bol 2 Zone, Reservoir A, designated as the DB2 Zone RA SUA, Southwest Esther Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, all as shown more particularly on the attached plat;
- 2. The Discorbis Bol 2 Zone, Reservoir A, in the Southwest Esther Field is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the measured depths of 12,503 feet and 12,644 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Mosbacher Energy Company-Louisiana Furs No. 3 Well located in Section 14, Township 14 South, Range 2 East, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana.

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For Above Sand and Zone

- To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and 1. production of gas and condensate from the said units;
- To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and 2. other property interests within the units so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;
- To designate a unit operator and unit wells for the proposed units; 3.
- 4. To provide for the future reclassification of the reservoir without the necessity of a public hearing, if such reclassification becomes necessary due to a change in production characteristics of the reservoir;
- To consider such other matters relating to the subject reservoir as may be 5. appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the public hearing.

In compliance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, a pre-application conference was held in Lafayette, Louisiana on August 8, 2001. Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a list of the names and addresses of the parties who were in attendance at that conference.

The conference was opened by Mr. B. J. Duplantis. Mr. Chip LeBlanc presented the plan of applicant. Questions were asked and answered. All parties reserved their rights. Mr. Bill Dorrell on behalf of the Choate Family, LLC presented counterplans on both sands expanding the units to the northeast and decreasing them to the southwest. The parties will continue to attempt to resolve their differences. It is anticipated that there may be opposition at the public hearing on this matter.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the DB1 RA SUA and DB 2 RA SUA, Southwest Esther Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, and a list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties to whom this notice is being sent. It is hereby certified that a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties. A copy of the list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties is not being mailed to those parties along with this pre-application notice. Should any such party desire a copy of this list, however, we will be glad to provide one upon request.

Upon receipt of the legal notice in the captioned matter, the notice will be posted, published and mailed in accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure.

Any pertinent data relating to the proposed unit can be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from Mr. Chip LeBlanc of Geological, Inc., 3500 North Causeway Blvd., Suite 405, Metairie, Louisiana 70002 (504) 828-8700.

Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$1,400.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

BJD/ht

Attachments

cc: Mr. Richard D. Hudson

District Manager, Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties and parties on attendance list



